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APPLICATION OF)
CHRISTOPHER M. ONG ET AL) GROUP NO.: 1713
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/728,029) EXAMINER: ROBERT D. HARLAN
FILED: DECEMBER 4, 2003)
TITLE: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION)
OF LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT)
HYDROGENATED NITRILE RUBBER)

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sirs:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2006 in the above-identified application, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. A one (1) month Petition for Extension of Time is concurrently submitted herewith.


Amendments to the Specifications: None

Amendments to the Claims: A listing of the claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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